

- Appl. No. 09/754,033
- Amdt. dated December 11, 2003
- Reply to Office Action of June 16, 2003

### REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed June 16, 2003, claim 43 was withdrawn from consideration. Claims 37, 38 and 42 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b). Claims 1-36, 39-41, 44 and 45 were allowed.

In response, claims 37, 38 and 42 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicant does not concede to the rejection of these claims. Claim 43 has also been cancelled without prejudice.

### CONCLUSION

It is believed claims 1-36, 39-41 and 44-45 are allowable. If there are any issues remaining to passage of the case to issuance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned.

This Response to Office Action is accompanied by a Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time. A check in the amount of \$950.00 is also enclosed for the extension of time fee due for a large entity. If this amount is incorrect, however, please charge any fee due, including any extensions of time required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1969.

Respectfully submitted,



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